

Substitute for Form PTO-1390		U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  <b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 022702-153 U.S. APPLICATION NO. 10/7582047 10/7582047	
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/FR 2004/001681		INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE JUNE 30, 2004		PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED JULY 4, 2003	
TITLE OF INVENTION  PRODUCTION OF PEARLS BASED ON EXPANDED POLYMERS (as amended)					
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Jean-Francois ESTUR, Eric ROCHE and Jean-Francois BRIOIS					
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:					
1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>FIRST</b> submission to items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (22) indicated below. 4. <input type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected by the expiration of 19 months from the priority date (Article 31). 5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). 6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto. b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made. 8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 9. <input type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). 10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).					
Items 11 to 21 below concern document(s) or information included:					
11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. 12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A FIRST preliminary amendment. 14. <input type="checkbox"/> A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment. 15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification. 16. <input type="checkbox"/> A change of power of attorney and/or address letter. 17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 C.F.R. 1.821 - 1.825. 18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 20. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: <u>Unexecuted Declaration; International Search Report corresponding to PCT/FR 2004/001681 issued on January 18, 2005 - 5 pages; 2 Sheets of Drawings; Forms PCT/IB/304 and 308 and cited references</u> _____ _____ _____					

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21. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant(s) requests that the published application include the following assignment information: <u>RHODIA POLYAMIDE INTERMEDIATES</u> <u>AVENUE RAMBOZ</u> <u>BP 33</u> <u>E-69192 SAINT-FONS</u> <u>FRANCE</u>	<b>CALCULATIONS PTO USE ONLY</b>
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22. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The following fees are submitted:					
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Basic Filing Fee (1631)				\$ 300.00	
Surcharge of \$130.00 (1617) for furnishing the oath or declaration later than months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)). <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30					
CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	\$	
Total Claims	23	-20 = 3	x \$50.00 (1615)	\$ 150.00	
Independent Claims	2	-3 = 0	x \$200.00 (1614)	\$ 0.00	
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable)				+ \$360.00 (1616)	\$ 0.00
Examination Fee				+ \$200.00 (1633)	\$ 200.00
Search Fee				+ \$400.00 (1632)	\$ 400.00
App. Size Fee (add \$250.00 for each add'l 50 sheets exceeding 100 sheets)				\$ 0.00	
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =				\$ 1,050.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2.				+ \$ 0.00	
SUBTOTAL =				\$ 1,050.00	
Processing fee of \$130.00 (1618) for furnishing the English translation later than months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)). <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30				\$ 0.00	
TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =				\$ 1,050.00	
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 (8021) per property +				\$ 0.00	
TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =				\$ 1,050.00	
				Amount to be refunded :	
				charged :	

a. ☒ A check in the amount of 1,050.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed.

b. ☐ Please charge my Deposit Account No. 02-4800 in the amount of \_\_\_\_\_ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

c. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

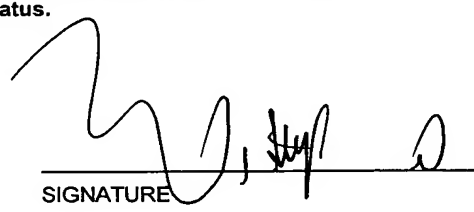
d. ☐ Charge \_\_\_\_\_ to credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

**NOTE:** Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.

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